



State Senator

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**VALDE GARCIA**

*Serving the 22<sup>nd</sup> District*

*Shiawassee-Livingston-Southern Ingham counties*

## Legislative Update

**BREAKING NEWS FROM SENATOR GARCIA'S OFFICE**  
**A Legislative Bulletin for Residents of the 22<sup>nd</sup> District**

### **Garcia's** BILL OF THE WEEK!

#### **SB 72: Pledge of Allegiance**

Senator Garcia cosponsored legislation that passed the senate this week that would require public schools to offer time each day for their students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under the bill, students would not be required to participate in saying the Pledge, just have the opportunity to recite it if they wish to do so.



#### **Numerous bills were introduced this week!**

Should you wish to learn more about the proposed legislation, please visit [www.michiganlegislature.org](http://www.michiganlegislature.org) and enter the bill number where indicated. The web-site will provide you with the bill's language as introduced and an analysis describing how the bill will affect area industry, the economy and consumers.

Senator Garcia is eager to learn how you feel about proposed legislation. He welcomes your responses via e-mail at [senvgarcia@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:senvgarcia@senate.michigan.gov).

### **Traveling Transportation Meeting Coming to Brighton**

On Monday, March 28 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. a Joint Transportation Committee hearing will be taking place at Brighton City Hall. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting and learn about Michigan Department of Transportation's Five Year Road Plan. To find out more about the Plan, please visit [www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot).

It is important to note that families who live in the 22<sup>nd</sup> District are part of what the Department calls the "University Region." All road construction within your communities will be listed in that section of the document.

Brighton City Hall is located at 200 North First Street in Brighton.

### **Capitol Loop Construction**

For residents traveling through downtown Lansing, please be advised of the major road constriction efforts taking place. If you plan on being in the downtown area or have scheduled a tour of the Capitol, Historical Museum or other sites, please visit [www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot) for suggested travel routes.